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Applicant:	Shinichi SATO	Group:	1712
Application No.:	10/676,027	Examiner:	M. G. Moore
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For:	METHOD OF TREATING CURED RUBBER		

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**LETTER REQUESTING INITIALED PTO 1449 FORM(S)**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In reviewing the above-captioned application file upon allowance, the undersigned has noted that even though acknowledgement was received for the PTO Form 1449 filed on March 24, 2004, the WO 85/02205 was not considered because the Examiner never received the actual reference to review. It is submitted that a copy of this reference was filed on March 24, 2004, as evidenced by the copy of the postcard attached. Nevertheless, another copy of this reference is submitted herewith.

Also submitted herewith is a new PTO Form 1449 with the actual reference attached, together with a copy of our original PTO Form 1449.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the reference and return the initialed new PTO Form 1449 to the undersigned.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. §1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

**BIRCH, STEWART, KOLASCH & BIRCH, LLP**

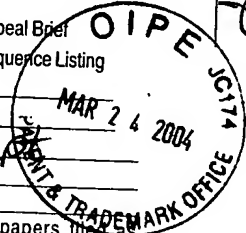
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